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LABOR CANDIDATES TOP 5 INCUMBENTS IN COUNCIL, OPEN MAY 13 VOTE DRIVE

REPORT —TO OUR READER-OWNERS

A Woman's Reply

Lois L. Girard, press correspondent for Machinists' Auxiliary 97, writes to The Labor Journal:

"In reply to your article on 'Inside News' in the Report-to-Reader-Owners column of April 4, may I please submit a few facts concerning Machinists' Auxiliary 97?

"Our organization has been thirty years this May upholding unionism. Several years ago our members served in the picket lines and we had soup kitchens for the men while our husbands and hundreds of other men were on strike.

"We also loaned sums of money to unions to help win strikes: our first and foremost though is to stand behind everything pertaining to organized labor.

"We have a Past Presidents' Club, I, for one, being a member. The Past Presidents work for every cent in our treasury by giving card games, bingos, and anything else we can do to raise money.

"Our funds are devoted solely to helping our sisters who are ill and in need. When necessary we donate out of our own pockets to aid and assist the deserving sisters.

"The Labor Journal is the only medium through which our out-of-town members, shut-ins, and aged sisters know what we are doing. They look forward each week to reading our items.

"We are at present having a membership drive in No. 97, and would love to have the union official whom you mentioned as being critical of the women's auxiliaries contact one of us. We would be more than happy to call on his wife and explain to her the good we do and also welcome her into our fold."

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Emblems, "Regimentation"

That's a letter we were glad to get, and glad to print in full. It states the case for the women's auxiliaries, clearly and straightforwardly.

Incidentally, the union official the lady refers to is the unnamed one we quoted in our column of April 4 as declaring that the women writers in "Inside News" are prone to take up too much room with "that chatter about the auxiliaries and the past presidents' clubs."

And not even those torture methods dramatized over the radio in the children's hour devoted to gangsterism could prevail upon us to divulge the name of that man!

While we're on the subject of "Inside News," one union correspondent said in his report in our April 11 issue that members should take note his material is not, as formerly, appearing with the emblem of the union, and added:

"We realize that many of the members were used to identifying the column by the local emblem, and in the past few weeks have been under the impression that we have deleted this service. Last week The Labor Journal carried an explanation of the necessity of the regimentation and the reason for the lack of the various cuts in all columns of this type."

"Regimentation" is a tough word, but, after all, it really describes what's necessary in these days of newsprint shortage, doesn't it?

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Why a Top Headline?

Speaking of members of a union being accustomed to seeing news of their union under their emblem and having difficulty in adjusting to the change, brings to mind a paragraph from another letter received recently:

"A paper that is not a street sale newspaper does not really need a big top headline on Page 1. The Labor Journal has probably had one a long time, and if you think the readers would consider the paper duller without it, then by all means keep it. But if you want the eight or more inches for news that you'd save by dropping it, then do so."

And right after receiving that letter, we slopped forth a big two-line top head on Page 1 in our last week's issue, informing the universe: LABOR TO VOTE TUESDAY FOR WEAKLEY, SMITH, LANTZ, GOLDFARB, AND PEASE!

We've just measured that up, and if it had been left off it would have saved 16 inches, four-fifths of a column, for news!

But of course just before an election—well, it's an American privilege to splurge just before Election Day.

However, if you don't, as our letter-writer suggests, think it makes the paper look dull, we may try that business of saving some space by occasionally eliminating the top headline, since, after all, we really don't go gallivanting around the streets trying to sell papers.

Joint Rally of AFL Teamsters, Harry Bridges' CIO Union, Is Called to Flanagan's Notice

Clippings from Honolulu newspapers showing close cooperation between AFL Teamsters and Harry Bridges' CIO Longshoremen & Warehousemen were called to the attention of AFL Western Director Dan Flanagan by vote of the Alameda County Central Labor Council Monday night.

The action was taken in view of the orders issued last week by the Bay Area Joint Teamsters' Executive Council to 13 East Bay teaming craft locals to withdraw from the Central Labor Council.

The Bay Area Teamsters' Council through its acting president, Charles Real, had stated that the withdrawal was ordered on the ground that "certain elements" in the Central Council were cooperating with the CIO in opposing anti-labor legislation, and thereby countenancing dual unionism.

Dan Flanagan, as reported in last week's Labor Journal, conferred with the Central Council's executive committee on the Teamsters' charges.

CONTRA COSTA RALLY

The Central Council by its action Monday also called Director Flanagan's attention to a clipping from the Richmond Independent describing a rally against anti-labor legislation at which CIO and AFL officials of Contra Costa county spoke.

One of the clippings called to Flanagan's attention by the Central Council is a four-column ad, nine inches deep, which was run in the Honolulu Star-Bulletin April 4. The ad is signed jointly as follows:

JOINT COUNCIL OF TEAMSTERS
No. 79, A.F. of L.
(Signed) Arthur A. Rutledge
INTERNATIONAL LONGSHOREMEN'S & WAREHOUSEMEN'S UNION
(Signed) Jack W. Hall.

AFL-CIO AD

The ad consists of a letter to Dwight Steele, president of the Hawaii Employers Council, and states in part that:

"While we may have our differences:

"1. We will not cross bona-fide picket lines at the direction of your Employers Council or your members.

"2. We will not conspire with your Employers Council or your members to do away with workers' rights guaranteed by the National Labor Relations Act.

"3. We will not permit Hawaii's monopolists to play one group of workers against another and thus destroy ALL unions in these islands."

Another clipping, from the Honolulu Advertiser of April 4, told of a rally in the Palace Grounds at which "high officials of the Territorial organizations of the AFL and the CIO bitterly denounced the Hawaii Employers Council."

TEAMSTER BACKS CIO

The Honolulu Advertiser went on to tell of speeches made at the joint labor rally by Jack Hall, regional director for the CIO Longshoremen and Warehousemen, and by "Henry Gonsalves, AFL Teamsters' Union and building trades official."

The CIO regional director, according to The Advertiser "cited a National Labor Relations Board report on an AFL dispute which he said showed "a concerted effort on the part of the Employers Council and many businessmen to defeat the purposes of the Wagner Act."

Arthur Rutledge of the Teamsters then, according to the Advertiser, shouted that his men would not cross the CIO picket lines at struck plants, and said, referring to members of the Employers' Council, that "they'll rot before we'll cross each other's picket lines."

CIO COOK A SPEAKER

The Advertiser published a three-column picture of nine "leaders of Territorial AFL and CIO organizations who spoke at last night's 'labor rally' on the Palace Grounds." The picture included the labor men already referred to, and, among others, "Rudolph Eskovitz, port agent of the National Union of Marine Cooks and Stewards," a CIO organization.

The clipping from the Richmond Independent of April 14 told of a "Franklin D. Roosevelt memorial meeting devoted to massing opposition to anti-strike and anti-labor legislation in Washington and Sacramento."

The meeting was held April 12 in Roosevelt Junior High School in Richmond under the sponsorship of the Richmond Legislative Conference. The Independent reported:

RICHMOND CIO-AFL MEET

"Councilman Robert D. Lee served as chairman of the meeting and introduced the following speakers:

"Hugh Caudel, president of the Contra Costa County Central Labor Council; Roy Sturtevant, chairman of the Contra Costa County CIO Council; Fred Breen of the YMCA; Louis Richardson, president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Assemblyman George Miller Jr.; Albert Dekker, former assemblyman from Los Angeles and a motion picture actor; and George Irvine, legislative chairman of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen."

Caudel as president of the AFL Contra Costa County Central Labor Council recently appointed a committee to investigate the subject of Communists in AFL unions in the county.

Colliver Organizer For Office Locals' Council in Region

Raymond Colliver, recently elected president of Office Employes' Local 29, was this week chosen as organizer by the Joint Council of Office Employes' Locals.

Colliver will remain at the head of Local 29, but as organizer will be busy, especially in the smaller centers, in the area covered by the council: East Bay, San Francisco, San Jose, Stockton, Modesto, Vallejo, and Sacramento.

John Kinnick, business representative of Oakland Local 29, said that letters are being sent to AFL unions throughout the area, asking for their assistance, financial and moral, in carrying out the organization drive which Colliver will head.

Bakers Will Meet Saturday, Receive Bargainers' Report

Bakers' Local 119 will hold a regular meeting tomorrow, Saturday, at 6 p.m., at the Labor Temple, 2111 Webster street.

C. H. Bullock, secretary-treasurer, and William Wagner, president, in a notice to the membership state that "very important business will be placed before the members for a decision and ALL members are urged to attend."

Bullock told The Labor Journal that reports of the negotiating committee will be given, and that "some little progress" has been made during the week in negotiations with the big bakeries here.

The local recently backed its negotiators with a strike vote of 421 to 19.

AFL Farm Organizer Is Named for Coast

H. L. Mitchell, president of the National Farm Labor Union, has announced the appointment of H. E. "Hank" Hasiwar as the representative of the National Farm Labor Union on the west coast. Hank Hasiwar began his work in California early in March. He is making his headquarters at the western offices of the American Federation of Labor in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

State AFL Asks All Union Members to Act on Hot Cargo!

Senate Bill 342, making permanent the Hot Cargo and Secondary Boycott Law, which has already passed the State Senate, will be heard by the Assembly Committee on Industrial Relations Thursday, April 24.

"If this obnoxious measure is to be kept from becoming a law," warns the State Federation of Labor office, "it will be necessary for every individual member of the labor movement to contact by personal mail his respective Assemblyman to oppose this measure. The Federation cannot recommend this action by individual labor people too strongly, and it is hoped that the membership will cooperate fully."

NOW FOR TUESDAY, MAY 13!

The wonderful showing of organized labor's five candidates for the Oakland City Council in the Tuesday primary election is a signal, not for idle elation, but for going to work.

Remember last Tuesday with joy, but think of Tuesday, May 13, with grim determination!

The old crowd that has fallen into the habit of thinking that Oakland is its private property is not going to waste time weeping. They're going to pour out money and slander and sweat in the hope that they can win on their second try.

It's up to organized labor and all citizens who know that Oakland is entitled to good government to turn in and finish this job.

We've made a start—let's keep going!

Fee Gets Ovation As He Stays With Central Council

William P. Fee, assistant secretary of the Central Labor Council, was given an ovation Monday night at the Council meeting when he was sworn in as a delegate from Laundry Workers' Local 2.

For 27 years Fee had been a delegate from Milk Wagon Drivers' Local 302, but as a result of the recent order issued by the Bay Area Joint Teamsters' Council, Local 302 along with other teaming craft locals withdrew from Central Labor Council affiliation.

Fee stayed with the Central Labor Council.

The previous week Robert Ash, secretary of the Central Labor Council, had been sworn in as a delegate from Retail Food Clerks' Local 870, instead of from Garage Employes' Local 78, another with drawn teaming craft local.

A. G. Alameida, of Cleaners and Dyers' Local 23, as vice-president of the Central Council presided at Monday night's meeting. The resignation of Al Brown as president was referred to the executive committee for action. Brown was a delegate from Milk Wagon Drivers' 302.

Official notice was received of the application of some 25 building trades locals to affiliate with the Central Council. This was expected to bring in more than 15,000 new members, more than offsetting the wihtdrawal of the teaming locals.

Labor Man Elected To Fresno Council

Chet Cary, secretary of the Fresno Central Labor Council and active in management of the Fresno Labor Citizen, was elected a member of the City Commission in Monday's election. He defeated James H. Chambers.

An AFL-backed move to eliminate parking meters from the downtown district was defeated.

15 Percent Salary Rise for Teachers

Principal Neil Parsons of the Acalanes High School has announced at Lafayette that a minimum increase of 15 percent for the 1947-48 year stands approved by the board of trustees.

Minimum salary for four years of training will be $2640; five years, $2760; six years, $2880. Maximum for six years of college preparation and 15 years of experience was set at $4560.

Bay Area Western Union AFL Workers Plan Strike Vote

Oakland and San Francisco locals of the AFL Commercial Telegraphers' Union will take strike votes as part of the nation-wide movement connected with the filing of strike notice early in April by Jesse A. Payne, CTU president.

George Hageman is president of Oakland Local 208, and Jim Cross is president of San Francisco Local 34. San Francisco is regional headquarters of the CTU for a large part of the West.

Cross told The Labor Journal that "the Western Union is trying to take away from us things that we've had in the contract since 1945.

"In general, Western Union in its negotiations with us for the renewal of the contract, which expires June 1, acts like the telephone company and the big steel outfits and some others—it seems to be just stalling along, to see what sort of anti-labor legislations Congress may arm the company with."

Cross said that neither wages nor hours are standardized in the Western Union, that pay for operators in the Bay Area ranges from 68 cents to $1.02 an hour, with the average automatic operator getting 82 or 84 cents.

The work week is one of the main items in dispute. Cross says some work 35 hours, others 40, still others 45 hours.

International President Payne said in New York that his union represents 40,000 of the Western Union workers in the country, the other 10,000 being represented, in the New York area, by the CIO American Communications Association.

"The company refuses to bargain in good faith," said Payne, "and is attempting to deny in contract all rights vested in this union by the National Labor Relations Act and is attempting to cancel working conditions and rates of pay amounting to millions of dollars annually."

The U. S. Conciliation Service is endeavoring to bring about a settlement before a strike occurs.

Cross said that if the strike does take place, May 4 would be the earliest possible date.

Auxiliary 97 Sets Bingo for April 26

Machinists' Auxiliary 97 will give a benefit bingo party at 8 p.m. April 26 at the home of Mrs. Rose Perata, 1254 Broadway, in Alameda. Catch Oakland Bus 51, and get off at Broadway and Encinal.

Charles Real Given Confidence Vote by Federation Council

At its recent meeting, held April 11 in San Francisco, the Executive Council of the State Federation of Labor, unanimously adopted a vote of confidence in Charles W. Real, as well as the following statement dealing with the legislative program followed by the Federation.

Among the matters transacted were the following two officially released statements by the Council, one dealing with President Charles W. Real, and the other dealing with the legislative program that is being pursued by the Federation and the AFL labor movement generally throughout the state.

Statement by C. J. Haggerty, secretary, California State Federation of Labor: "The Executive Council of the California State Federation of Labor, after considering resolutoins adopted by some unions condemning Charles W. Real, also considered resolutions commending President Real, regarding alleged actions that occurred in Oakland, California, incident to the trade dispute involving Hastings and Kahn Department Stores.

"In view of the fact that the Alameda Central Labor Council, the parent body having jurisdiction in this area, has not seen fit to submit any charges or any complaint against President Real, and since no evidence has been presented in substantiation of the allegations made, the Executive Council of the California State Federation of Labor rejects any implication of any wrong doing on the part of President Real, and unanimously gives him a rising vote of confidence."

LEGISLATION STATEMENT

Statement on Campaign Against Anti-Labor Legislation, by C. J. Haggerty; unanimously adopted by the Executive Council April 11, 1947, San Francisco:

"Concerted efforts are now being made by the Communist Party, operating through its peripheral contacts—especially those associated with the labor movement—to exploit the current anti-labor legislative campaign for its own ends by utilizing labor's mounting opposition and resentment.

Recognizing the growing indignation on the part of the rank and file of labor against the threatening drive to weaken unionism and deprive them of their constitutional rights, the Communists and their allies are seizing the splendid opportunity offered by the situation to pose as champions of the working class. This has motivated the

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Telephone Union In East Bay Hits Company's Tactics

The United Brotherhood of Telephone Workers, unaffiliated, which includes practically all telephone employes in the East Bay except the operators, this week took action in the crisis with which it was confronted by the spreading strike in the industry.

At a meeting Monday in Ebell Hall, 1440 Harrison street, hundreds of linemen, central office technicians, installers, girls in the commercial department, and others, adopted a resolution condemning the company for hiring strikebreakers, trying to get UBTW members to act as strikebreakers, and locking out members.

LONG NEGOTIATIONS

The UBTW has been in negotiation with the company since February 25, and did not go out when the National Federation of Telephone Workers called the strike. The UBTW is not affiliated with the NFTW.

But at the Ebell Hall meeting speakers made it plain that they had no intention of strikebreaking in any way, and that they felt the company, by asking them to take orders from picketed buildings, by asking members to volunteer as operators, and by locking out members, was forcing the issue.

Accordingly a resolution was adopted, urging other regions of the UBTW, which is divided into four regions, with a total membership of 8700 in Northern California and Nevada to authorize the organization as a whole to join the picket lines against the company.

This resolution has now been forwarded to the other UBTW regions.

NLRB ELECTION

The telephone strike situation in this general area is complicated by the fact that the NLRB has just completed receiving ballots in a collective bargaining election to determine whether telephone operators shall be represented by the UBTW, the CIO, or the NFTW's affiliate in Northern California and Nevada.

The CIO at first ordered its members to go through the picket lines, then endorsed the strike, and joined the picket lines.

K. D. Clifford, business agent for East Bay region, UBTW, with offices in the Pacific Building, told The Labor Journal that his organization has about 1200 members here, and that it has been pressing demands for union security, an arbitration clause, and guaranteed pensions.

WAGES ARE LOW

"As for wages," said Clifford, "we certainly want more money. And the company doesn't want to talk turkey at all.

"Our top technicians get $72 a week, starting at $34 and taking eight years to reach the top pay.

"Other classifications only get up as high as $55, $61, $64 a week after years of climbing.

"The highest paid girls, the commercial representatives, have a top of $53 a week, for which they start at $36, and take seven and a half years to reach tops.

"Then there are other girls who start at $30 and after four years reach top pay of $36 a week."

John McBain, with headquarters in San Francisco, is president of the UBTW.

Overtime Pay Ends On S. F. Muni Lines

The San Francisco Municipal Railway this week stopped the payment of overtime to clerical workers, mechanics, and inspectors, the Board of Supervisors having held up a request by the management for a $10,000 appropriation for overtime pay for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Repair work formerly done during early morning hours before heavy service begins will now have to be done during heavy service hours, said Utilities Manager James H. Turner.

State Federation Analysis of Labor Bills Available

Any union desiring additional copies of the "Summary of Proposed Legislation," compiled by the Federation, can get them by writing to the Federation office, Flood Building, San Francisco 2. This booklet contains summaries of bills introduced during the 1947 session of the State Legislature that are of interest to labor, including the bills sponsored and endorsed by the Federation. Copies were mailed last month to all the affiliated organizations, and the Federation can now supply extra copies on request.

Smith, Lantz, Goldfarb, Pease, Weakley, Crowd Foes Into 2nd Place, Prepare For the Runoff

Organized labor's five candidates for the Oakland City Council came out on top in the primary election Tuesday, crowding the incumbents into second place.

Owing to the fact that other candidates in the field took enough votes to prevent clear majorities being established, the candidates of organized labor and the five incumbents will fight it out in a runoff election Tuesday, May 13.

The four incumbent members of the School Board, backed by organized labor, were reelected, two of them unopposed.

Proposition No. 1, a charter amendment changing city franchise laws, was carried; No. 2, raising the salary of the city auditor from $6000 to $7800, was defeated by more than a two to one vote.

Complete returns will be found in an adjoining table on this page.

WARNING IS SOUNDED

Labor backers of the five top City Council candidates, Joseph Edward Smith, Vernon Lantz, Raymond E. Pease, Ben Goldfarb, and Scott Weakley, were elated, but sounded warnings at once that there must be no relaxation in the struggle until the final balloting comes on May 13.

"The vote is a clearcut decision by the citizens of Oakland that they are tired of Knowland machine politics," said Robert S. Ash, secretary-treasurer of the Central Labor Council.

"Every effort must be made to get every voter to the polls May 13 so there will be no doubt Oakland no longer wants to be known throughout the country as the only cemetery with street lights."

"The old crowd that has been misrunning the city for years is beaten in the first round, and already they're showing signs that they're badly scared," said one labor man active in the successful campaign just closed.

"But the very fact that they're scared means that they'll try to move heaven and earth, not to mention hell, in the effort to get under the wire in the runoff. Now that we've scared 'em, we've got to be all the more alert, and get in and work every day until the big day, May 13."

OLD REGIME PREPARES

Within a few hours after the returns were in, grapevine rumors told of hurrying and scurrying in high quarters of the old regime, with well financed operations getting under way to try to overturn the verdict given at the primary.

The Knowland Tribune set the pace by belittling the election results in its headlines, which in its first edition, instead of making it plain that the incumbents had suffered a severe defeat, quietly asserted: "Council Faces Run-Off; Incumbents Fail to Poll Majority Vote."

City Clerk Charles M. Don said the total vote cast was 65,636, or 40.77 percent of the total registration of 161,750.

The five top candidates in the City Council race had the official endorsement of the AFL Central Labor Council and Building Trades and Construction Council.

Election Returns

Following are complete returns in the Oakland municipal election Tuesday:

COUNCILMAN DISTRICT 1	
LANTZ	**28,190**
Beach	25,617
Silvey	8,766
COUNCILMAN DISTRICT 3	
PEASE	**28,187**
Arnberg	9,612
Haler	23,602
COUNCILMAN DISTRICT 5	
GOLDFARB	**23,667**
Jacobsen	14,463
Shattuck	22,696
COUNCILMAN DISTRICT 7	
WEAKLEY	**28,756**
Peters	22,669
Robey	9,890
COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE	
SMITH	**22,439**
Basso	11,312
Bercovich	3,194
Hutchins	2,565
Slavich	22,345
SCHOOL BOARD	
Director No. 1	
Kramer	47,330
Director No. 2	
Kornhaus	46,104
Director No. 3	
LANEY	**29,846**
Allen	26,506
Director No. 4	
MUNCK	**33,176**
Stanley	23,087

Proposition 1		Proposition 2	
For	27,340	For	17,122
Against	23,058	Against	36,759

Nicely in 198-180 Vote Wins New Post In the Paintmakers

Paul H. Nicely won the new post of assistant to the business representative in Paintmakers' Local 1101, defeating Pete Ceremello by a vote of 198 to 180.

Business Representative Jack Kopke said that Nicely and Ceremello shook hands after the election Tuesday night, agreed that it had been a good hot contest, and that they would work together for the good of the local.

The new post was created owing to the extra duties imposed on Kopke by his appointment as an international representative of the union.

Stove Mounters On Strike in Newark

Picketing of the James Graham Manufacturing Company plant in Newark was commenced Tuesday by Stove Mounters' Local 61, the strike having been sanctioned by the Alameda Central Labor Council.

About 400 persons are on strike. Negotiations have been going on since January for increased pay and better conditions.

L. D. Chamberlain of Local 216 Passes

L. D. Chamberlain, member of Sheet Metal Workers' Local 216, died Sunday noon after a long illness. He is survived by his widow and by a son, Howard, of Ogden, Utah. The remains were conveyed to his place of birth, Boise, Idaho, by the Colonial Mortuary.

Painters, 127, Meet Apr. 24 On New Pact

James Kinsir, recording secretary, has notified all members of Painters' Local No. 127 that a special meeting of the local will be held on Thursday, April 24, for the purpose of voting on the new Bay Area agreement.

"This will be the working agreement for all painters in the Bay Area and it is of the utmost importance that all members attend," says Kinsir.

MACHINISTS, MOLDERS IN MOVE TOWARD BIG STRIKE

Lodges of the International Association of Machinists in the Bay Area with members employed in shops of the California Metal Trades Association and some independent shops gave official notice this week of intention to strike.

The formal notice was served by wire on Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach.

The only East Bay IAM locals not affected are Richmond Lodge 824 and Automotive Lodge 1546. The others have already taken their strike votes, as have lodges in San Francisco.

Some 22,000 machinists in the Bay Area were said to be included in the voting.

The IAM has been carrying on negotiations with the CMTA for wage increases of from 25 to 27 cents an hour.

The Alameda County Central Labor Council at its meeting Monday night gave strike sanction to Molders Local 164, which includes men working in CMTA shops and foundries in the entire Bay Area as well as those in plants from Tulare to the Oregon line.

The molders have been negotiating for 25 cents an hour across the board.

Frank Brown is secretary of Molders' 164.

A. C. McGraw in Oakland is the Grand Lodge representative coordinating the drive of the IAM lodges.

Inside News

—from Correspondents in our Unions and Auxiliaries

STEAMFITTERS' LOCAL 342

As many of the brothers have expressed a desire to have a list of the present officers, the column, this week, will try to bring you up to date: President, Earl Gibson; Vice President, Lou Kovacevich; Business Agents, John Davy, James Martin, J. O'Donnell; Treasurer, J. Scott; Recording Secretary, J. G. Saunders; Sentinel, Fred Gorden; Executive Board, Roy Tinder, Jack Bennett, R. W. Carr, R. J. Hogan; Finance Committee, O. F. McGuire, J. E. Wilson, Jay Jackson; Welfare Committee, Jack Bennett; App. Committee, Cliff LePlant, Harry Hill, Pete Callaghan, Ernie Boyer, Sam Lomba; Central Labor Committee, J. Davy, C. D. Gibbons, James Martin; Alameda County Building Trades, C. D. Gibbons, John Davy, James Martin, J. Ervin, J. O'Donnell; Contra Costa Building Trades, John Davy, C. D. Gibbons, Curly Davis, E. E. Biddle; Examining Board, J. G. Saunders, L. H. French, Jack Sutherland, Bob Luby, Carl Nielson; Bay City Metal Trades Council, John Davy, C. D. Gibbons, Curly Davis; Labor Temple Association, L. H. French.

The Sick Committee has asked that any brother who becomes ill, to have some one report the illness to the office.

The recent dinners and entertainment given by the Vallejo and Richmond locals were something to long remember, so I am told by some of our officers who attended. It is too bad more of our officers, who were invited, were not able to attend.

Fraternally yours,
LES SILVEIRA.

DRESSING ROOM CHATTER FROM LOCAL B-82

The next regular meeting will be held one week from Saturday at 10 a.m. on April 26. To facilitate the prompt starting of the meeting please have your paid-up dues receipt or membership card to show the Sergeant-at-arms.

While on the subject of meetings, you are reminded that the outer meeting hall door is locked at 10:15 a.m. Some of the members have been in the habit of coming in toward the end of the meeting and signing an attendance card just before it adjourns. In order to prevent this we are enforcing the rule regarding the locking of the outer door.

Give yourself plenty of time in the morning and you will not find yourself locked out as several of the members did at recent meetings. Do not take out your wrath on the officers as none of them individually have the power to grant an excuse. Address any requests for excuses to the Executive Board.

Attention all doormen: You are not to act as bouncers on your job. If any difficulties arise with the patrons refer the matter to the manager.

If he should tell you to eject anyone from a theatre (we doubt if he will) tell him to do it himself, hire a special man for that duty, or call the police department if there is a violation of the law involved. Report any requests made by the management that you do not believe you have jurisdiction over, to the business office of the union.

An X-ray machine will be housed in a trailer at the Plaza, opposite the Oakland City Hall, 14th Street and San Pablo Avenue Monday, April 21 through Friday, April 25, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. for the purpose of making a city-wide survey in disclosing cases of tuberculosis. By detecting this disease in the early stages when symptoms are not apparent you may help yourself or someone else avoid the advanced stages. There is no charge for these X-rays and it is not necessary to undress. The machine is capable of taking 100 X-rays per hour, so your wait, if any, will be short. The Alameda County Tuberculosis and Health Association is participating with other voluntary agencies in a joint community program in observance of Public Health Nurse Week. Tell your friends and members of your family, who are over 15 years of age, to assist for the sake of their own health, in this worthwhile program.

Up and down the aisle . . . Brother Connelly reports that Brother Bob Broadbent is scheduled for a discharge from the Army about the end of this month. . . . Brother Broadbent has been combining his latter stages of recovering from a wound suffered in France, during the war, with his duties as head doorman of the Orpheum in S. F. . . . Brother Jim Dixon was recently visited by his Oakland Business Manager at the Fox Theatre in Frisco, but was reportedly recovering from the effects of a recent dental extraction. . . . The Costa Theatre in Richmond reports that Nellie Waugh, former usherette has been promoted to the boxoffice, working opposite Geraldine Kyger. . . . Garnett Jones of the same house is the pride of the local high school romeos who only worship from afar. The Grand in Richmond are going first class with the best pictures and some of the employes working in formals. . . . Wonder if they are the same formals they couldn't find for that recent Tower premiere which was a fiasco from some angles. . . .

MACHINISTS' AUXILIARY No. 97

Our business meeting was called to order April 10 with President Celia Stavros in the chair. Our honored guest for the evening was our First International Vice President Verna Trotter of Vallejo. She gave a very interesting talk on our union labels and asked all sisters and brothers to be sure and look for our label before purchasing merchandise; also she gave a very peppy review of the educational program and last but not least, our membership drive. Sisters, be sure and bring in some members this year.

Brother Louie Vercelli had surgery performed at Alameda Hospital this Tuesday. Keep your chin up Louie as we are all holding good thoughts for your speedy recovery.

Sister Olive Harvey met with a very painful mishap when she fell from a stepladder; hope by this time you are a lot better, Olive.

Sister Byrde Heffelfinger passed away Sunday. The funeral was held Wednesday from the Grant Miller parlors on 23rd Avenue. The Auxiliary extends sympathy to the family.

Brother Jack and Sister Mabel Balli spent the weekend at Lakeport.

I am happy to report my "pappy" is improving rapidly and will soon be able to step out for some fun.

Our next meeting being social night, will be April 24, so come one and all for a nice evening.

LOIS L. GIRARD,
Press Correspondent.

LABOR TEMPLE AUXILIARY

The last meeting of the Auxiliary was held on April 1, at which time nomination and election of officers was held.

The results of the election are as follows:

President, Lois Girard; Vice-President, Dorothy Thrall; Recording Secretary, Thelma Rizzo; Financial Secretary, Estelle Kerins; Treasurer, Jessie Houston; Chaplain, Mabel Balli; Marshall, Anna Clark; Sentinel, Emma Vice; Trustees, Naomi Vercelli, chairman; Pauline Tomsic, Louisa Durrer and Rosemary Padfield.

Congratulations, ladies, may you have a happy and successful term of office. Announcement of the installation date will be announced later.

A very enjoyable game of Bingo was played at the conclusion of the meeting, followed by refreshments.

HAZEL RASMUSSEN,
Recording Secretary.

PAST PRESIDENTS' CLUB No. 160

A delicious luncheon was served to Past Presidents' Club No. 160 by our hostess, Annie Elvin, March 19, of Salmon Loaf with parsley sauce, grated carrot and pineapple salad, peas, hot biscuits, rice pudding with cream, coffee and tea.

Those enjoying the repast were, our club president, Erma Jenkins, Esther Dedman, Ruth Thompson, Theresia Michelson, Marie Lyon and Diana Holder.

After lunch our president called our meeting to order where many items of interest were discussed.

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Chas. W. Real Given Confidence Vote By State Council

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many maneuvers that have been initiated to establish so-called united front anti-labor legislative conferences. Such conferences open up numerous contacts to them, and afford them an excellent chance to try once more to reestablish a connection with the American Federation of Labor.

"By action of the California State Federation of Labor's convention, it was decided that the Federation is capable, with its own resources and strength, of efficiently combatting the anti-labor attacks that are now being made. This does not mean in the slightest degree that the Federation wishes to eschew support and cooperation from any legitimate source. Quite the contrary. The Federation welcomes assistance on its legislative program from any progressive-minded citizens' organization or legitimate trade union. And that is precisely what is happening now.

"AUTONOMY NEEDED"

"The Federation must, however, guard its own integrity and protect its own legislative program. It is obliged, therefore, to proceed autonomously in effectuating its program. It is one thing to work in cooperation with other groups and organizations, but it is quite another thing to risk the loss of our much cherished autonomy, and of our freedom of action and independence of thought, by collaborating with any proposed organization or in any set-up that would jeopardize these rights which we will not relinquish.

"This is exactly what is involved in the present campaign to ensnare the American Federation of Labor unions into organizations with strength that exists only on paper, and with objectives that do not parallel and cannot harmonize with these which the California State Federation of Labor seeks to attain.

"This year the Federation has analyzed approximately 1500 bills of interest to the organized labor movement. No other organization has done anything comparable. These bills have been classified into 'good,' 'bad' and 'to be watched.' An elaborate system is now being maintained in Sacramento, with a staff of competent and skilled technicians to protect legislatively the rights of labor. No one can show where the Federation has missed a single opportunity, or has been lax in any way in its alertness to champion labor's interests at Sacramento.

FEDERATION ALERT

"The Federation's program is not only a negative one, in the sense of opposing anti-labor bills. It has also introduced a substantial number of pro-labor measures in regard to workmen's compensation, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, women and minors, veterans, state employees, and others, covering every phase of interest to wage earners in California. This is by far the most comprehensive program that is being applied in Sacramento, as far as labor is concerned.

"If the people who are so busily agitating and creating spurious organizations, are genuinely interested in fighting anti-labor legislation and supporting legislation favorable to labor, they will support the Federation's program. Since there is no reason why they cannot give such support, this would really be a test of their sincerity.

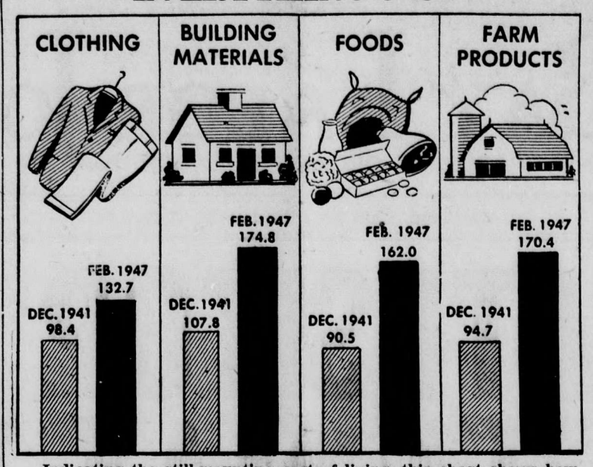
"Because of these considerations, the Federation has avoided any entanglements with uncredited elements who are cooking to intrude in the field of labor for purpose best known to themselves. We have had considerable experience in the past with seeing all constructive action completely nullified by the participation of groups directly or indirectly associated with the Communist Party, or under its influence.

"We believe these facts should be sufficiently compelling for all of the AFL unions to retain their organizational integrity and comprehensive legislative program, and we are confident that the true friends of labor and the progressively-minded citizens of California will give us their unstinted support."

TYPOS WIN WAGE INCREASE

A wage increase of $15.25 weekly and a reduction of hours from 40 to 37½ have been gained by the International Typographical Union for newspaper printers at Waterloo, Iowa.

EVERYTHING'S UP



Indicating the still-mounting cost of living, this chart shows how much higher prices are today than they were back in 1941. Food, farm products, clothing, building materials—they're all much more expensive. And they continue to mount. (Federated Pictures)

AVC Is Alerted on Unemployment Rise

Oakland Chapter No. 1, American Veterans' Committee, in the first issue of its monthly American Veterans' Chronicle, under the editorship of John W. Holmdahl, contains this statement by Howard L. McCalla:

"East Bay Area Council of AVC was alerted at its last meeting to the extreme seriousness of the unemployment problem here.

"A representative of the American Association of Social Workers, Mr. Robert Fenley, reported to the AVC Council that this condition is so serious and of such long duration that County Welfare, as well as Red Cross, Salvation Army, and other private agencies have already expended their indigent aid funds and now are operating on borrowed money under greatly restricted programs.

"Meanwhile, unemployment is steadily rising, Mr. Fenley stated. It is difficult to get proper recognition of the problem as employment is at its highest peacetime level."

Schwingen Backed For Executive Post

Edwin J. Schwingen is being backed by Alameda County School Employes' Local 257 for a place on the international executive board of the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employes.

A statement sent out by R. J. Johnson, secretary of Local 257, calls attention to the fact that Schwingen has been active in the Alameda county labor movement for 30 years, "is a past president of Local 257, has served as delegate to the Central Labor Council, and was appointed a member of the last Constitution Committee of the international union by International Presiednt Zander."

Jergens Boycotters Increasing, Report

LOS ANGELES.—Sales of Woodbury's Soap, Jergens Lotion and other products will be taking nosedives if the number of unionists throughout the nation refusing to buy them continues to mount at the present rate, Western Warehouse & Produce Council Director George Mock reports.

With the number of AFL members who have pledged not to buy the unfair firm's products now above 1,000,000 and increasing daily by thousands, it is expected that the firm's management will reconsider its adamant anti-union stand.

Commies moving in On AFL, Riesel Says

Victor Riesel in his syndicated column on labor matters stated this week:

"The Communist Party has sent 3000 men and women into the AFL to win support in that outfit, where it has virtually no influence."

Office Workers Get Job Valuation Data

John Kinnick, business representative of Office Employes' Local 29, has received notice that as a part of its education and research service the Office Employes International Union has prepared for distribution to local unions a handbook on job evaluation.

What job evaluation is, outlines of the four different systems, with examples of actual point rating systems, outlines of the basic points to consider in protecting the Union's interest and a bibliography of available reading on the subject are set forth.

"We well recognize that formalized job evaluation has been and is frequently devised and resorted to by employers and their specialists as a device to confuse the workers and their representatives and to make wage adjustments more difficult to obtain," International President Paul R. Hutchings points out in a foreword.

"The purpose of this pamphlet is to increase our knowledge on this subject and to thereby assist in aiding our membership in protecting themselves when confronted with this problem in their bargaining negotiations."

Communists Can't Be Barred, Ruling

District Attorney Ralph E. Hoyt of Alameda county ruled this week that the Berkeley Board of Education has no legal right to bar Communists from the use of school auditoriums.

The Berkeley board had asked for a ruling after protests had been made against letting the Progressive Citizens of America use the Garfield High School auditorium. Dr. Harry W. Shepherd, State University professor, had accused the PCA of being "fellow travelers with Communists."

The Communist Party has been granted by the Oakland Board of Education permission to use the Merritt Business School auditorium for its May Day activities.

State Will Handle Veterans' Rehiring

Now that the Selective Service boards have been discontinued, it is expected that veterans' claims to reemployment in jobs they left to enter the armed services will be handled by the California Department of Employment at the State employment offices.

S. F. Teachers' Pay Held Substandard

San Francisco teachers' salaries are lower than those paid in many other cities with a population of more than 100,000, according to a report submitted by the Board of Education's salary research staff.

Strike Supporters Told Use of Phone Is Perfectly Okay

Labor union members wishing to give support to the telephone strikers have been asking whether use of the telephone during the strike can be considered an unfriendly act. The answer of the strike leaders is clear and definite.

"Use the telephone all you please," is their statement. "In fact, if you want to use it a little more than usual, it won't make us one bit mad. Go to it!"

AFL to Contest CIO In PG&E Election Authorized by NLRB

Pacific Gas & Electric Company employes in San Francisco, Marin, Lake, and some other counties lying to the north will vote in a collective bargaining election on or before May 10, as the result of a long delayed decision of the National Labor Relations Board.

The jurisdiction over some 1800 workers in the counties affected is now held by the CIO Utility Workers' Union, but more than a year ago the AFL International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers filed an application with the NLRB for the election which was this week ordered. Final briefs were filed in Washington December 10 of last year.

The coming election will not affect the East Bay workers immediately, but the results of the election will be closely observed here.

The IBEW now has jurisdiction over all divisions of the PG&E except those around the Bay. C. W. Mason is the IBEW officer in charge, with headquarters in the Central Tower in San Francisco.

Scale Rises Noted At Typo Conference

Recent advances in scales through negotiations were reported at the quarterly meeting of the California Conference of Typographical Unions in Sacramento April 12 and 13.

The Fresno local reported having gained a 68½ cent an hour increase, $23 a week for job shops, believed to be one of the biggest advances ever gained in a single negotiation.

The new San Diego job shop rate of $2.20 per hour is the second highest in the United States, Chicago leading with $2.21.

In the Fresno negotiations the local also gained a cut of 2½ hours per week and an additional week's paid vacation.

The job rate in San Francisco and the East Bay is $2.13 1-3 an hour.

Officers of the conference are: W. B. Swenson, president; Robert Houseman, vice-president; Joe W. Chaudet, secretary.

Frayne Can Supply Labor Films' List

Pat Frayne, in charge of information for the U. S. Department of Labor on this coast, announces that by writing to him at Room 552, Federal Office Building, San Francisco, anyone interested may get a list of labor films available for use at union meetings.

Many of those listed have sound accompaniments.

Anti-Labor Lineup In Washington Is Bad, Says Gilbert

Robert W. Gilbert, Los Angeles attorney and labor consultant, writes:

"Two weeks ago I told a liberal California Congressman who was in California on a flying trip from Washington that his warnings of the threat of restrictive labor legislation in recent speeches were 'too emotional.' He was fresh from the legislative battle, and I thought then, just a little bit hysterical in his indictment of the lack of constructive accomplishments of the 80th Congress, even though the session was already half over.

"Shaking his finger in my face, this congressman lectured me on the menace to Organized Labor and the liberal cause which is gathering force on Capitol Hill, and wound up by exclaiming, "I only wish you could be there and see the reactionaries in action for yourself."

"He got his wish sooner than either of us expected. A week ago sudden developments in several pending matters required that I make a quick trip to Washington, D. C.

"On the basis of my brief observations there, I think that my congressman friend was putting it too mildly when he said that the present confused leadership in Congress has created a 'state of legislative befuddlement which could well destroy our basic constitutional plan of representative government.'"

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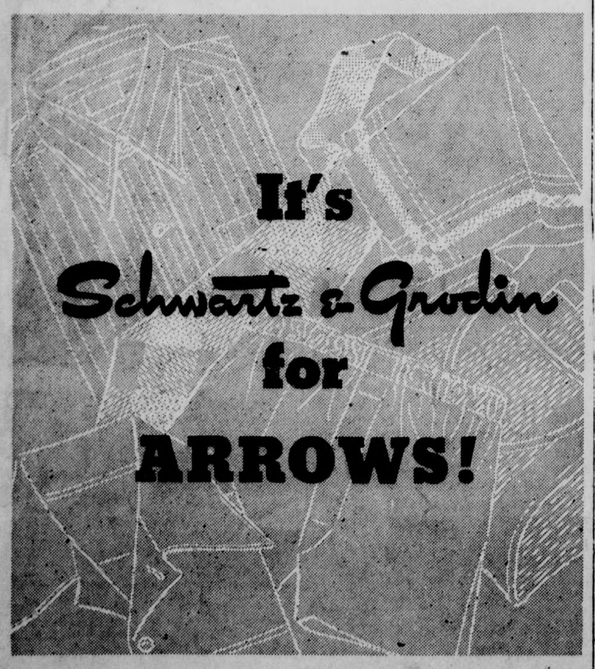
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Small Wonder Some Congressmen Would Cripple It

A U. S. Department of Labor press release from San Francisco puts it concisely:

"The Department of Labor fosters, promotes and develops the welfare of the wage earners of the United States, and is dedicated to improving their working conditions and advancement of opportunities for profitable employment."

California Factory Jobs Hold Steady At About 468,000

Factory employment in California manufacturing industries remained practically unchanged between February and March at approximately 468,000, Paul Scharrenberg, Director of Industrial Relations, announces.

Increases in aircraft, shipbuilding, and lumber were just about offset by decreases in canning, furniture, and non-ferrous metals.

The current level is 16 percent above a year ago and 67 percent above the March 1940 level of 280,200.

In the non-durable goods division the number of production workers decreased to 192,100 in March from 192,500 the previous month according to preliminary returns.

Factory employment in these industries this March is the highest March level on record and compares with 179,600 a year ago and 135,000 in March 1940.

Preliminary tabulations indicate that the number of factory workers in durable goods industries rose moderately to 276,300 in March from 275,700 in February primarily because of reported gains in aircraft and shipbuilding and seasonal expansion in the lumber industry.

The level in the durable goods division this March was 23 percent above March a year ago and 90 percent above the March 1940 level of 145,200.

AFL Skippers Plan Meal With Shipmen

Captain Charles F. May, business representative of AFL Masters, Mates, and Pilots' Local 90 in this area has received word from New York of a "break bread together" and "pipe of peace" gathering of the union with officials of private steamship companies to be held May 14 by Local 88 of the MMP.

The plan was announced by Captain William C. Ash, New York Local 88's business representative. Captain Ash said that he hoped to make the get-together an annual affair, although this first one will take the form of a testimonial dinner to two retiring officials of the union, Captain Harry Martin, national president, and Captain A. E. Oliver, president of Local 88, neither of whom ran for reelection.

Governor Dewey of New York and Mayor O'Dwyer of New York City have been invited to the dinner.

"We hope the Governor and the Mayor will both come," said Captain Ash, "because we expect it to be an opportunity for the company officials and their seagoing employes to express their mutual regard for the need of advancing the merchant marine."

Race Separation in Schools Is Banned

Denial of the right of California school districts to segregate school children of Mexican or Latin extraction was emphatically registered by the Ninth U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals sitting in San Francisco Monday.

The Appellate Court Justices in upholding an injunction by the Southern California District Court denounced such segregation as a "vicious practice." The case arose in Orange county, where several school districts sought to force Mexican children to attend separate schools.

DeMille's $1 Fight Before High Court

Cecil B. deMille's suit appealing a $1 assessment by the union to which he formerly belonged, the American Federation of Radio Artists, has been heard and taken under consideration by the State Supreme Court.

Charge That Labor Cost Causes House Rise Is Answered

Brook Wood of Painters' Local 127, commenting on current contentions that the high cost of housing is largely due to high wages in the building trades calls attention to the saying of an American "humorist-philosopher that what is wrong with most people is not their ignorance, but their need for unlearning the number of things they know which ain't so."

"How is the cost of a $5000 home really distributed?" said Wood. "The site costs $625, materials $2285, contractor $615, and labor on the job $1475—which is only 29.5 percent of the total. And judging by the 'skinning' on the job, this labor cost percentage is considerably lowered.

"On a dollar basis, then, slightly more than 70 cents for materials, overhead, site, and profits are expended; only 29½ cents goes to labor on the job.

"Fully 80 percent of industry grants higher wages than the building industry. During the war the building trades, realizing the urgency, extended the work day and week, with the usual overtime rates. Today work is on a peacetime basis, with overtime reduced to a minimum. The decline in earnings possibly reaches five percent.

"Turning to prefabricated houses there isn't any out there, either. In 1939 a complete prefabricated house cost $2750, early in 1946 the price had reached $5850, and by the end of the year it had hit $7500. Obviously, cost of labor on the job was not to blame.

"What encouragement to home ownership is a loan offered by the FHA? On a loan of $5000 for a 25-year period 'on easy (!) monthly payments, let's say, a $500 down payment is required. The interest for the period amounts to $3842, taxes and insurance $3375, maintenance and repairs $2500; total $14,717."

Wood pointed out that during the period prices of housing skyrocketed the wages of building trades workers were under street wartime controls.

Security Insurance For All Suggested

Oscar M. Powell, regional director of the U. S. Social Security Administration, told the National Conference of Social Work in San Francisco this week:

"There no longer exists any good reason why all of the working people of the United States cannot be protected against the risk of wage loss due to old age or premature death."

Powell pointed out that at present the act eliminates workers in agriculture, domestic service, religious, charitable, and educational institutions, and the public service.

He said that security should be extended to include disability insurance.

Small Papers Short Of Printers: Solon

U. S. Senator Capehart (R., Ind.), chairman of the Senate Small Business Subcommittee, opened hearings Thursday on "complaints of a lack of apprentices in the mechanical end of the newspaper business."

Senator Capehart said the subcommittee had received "a lot of complaints that they can't get labor and they can't compete with the high wages of the big cities.

"Experienced printers are moving from the small shops to the large cities to get higher wages than the small papers can pay. I understand there is an acute lack of apprentices which contributes to the problem. We want to check into that situation carefully."

AFL DAIRY WORKERS GAIN WAGE INCREASES

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Dairy employes were granted substantial weekly wage increases by an arbitrator after a dispute between their union, the International Brotherhood of Teamsters (AFL), and milk distributors had almost resulted in a strike.

Arbitrator Lyle L. Flogel granted increases of $5.72 to $7.80 a week, with most workers getting a $6.24 boost. Under the new contract the minimum weekly wage for inside workers is $49.40. Those working on any shift or part of a shift between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. will receive an additional 5 cents an hour for the entire shift.

AFL Monthly Survey Declares Russia Ready to Seize Greece

WASHINGTON.—A press release from the American Federation of Labor headquarters calls attention to an article in the current issue of the AFL Labor's Monthly Survey which explains the significance of the crisis in the Near East as follows:

"The Communist totalitarian state is now seeking to overrun and dominate Greece and Turkey, and thus control the narrow Dardanelles Strait which cuts through Turkey to form a gateway from the Black Sea to the Mediterranean.

"Control of this strait has long been the goal of rulers seeking world domination. The Russian Czars sought to control it before World War I. When Communist Russia in 1941 asked for the Dardanelles as its price for continued cooperation with Hitler, Hitler's answer was to invade Russia, seize Greece, and himself reach for the Dardanelles.

"If the Russian Communists should succeed in overrunning Greece and Turkey, they would dominate this strategic military point, key to the trade routes of the Mediterranean.

"To extend their control westward to Italy, France and the rest of Europe would then be only a matter of time. They could also reach south to Suez and Africa and east to Asia Minor, India and China. The United States would soon find itself isolated and surrounded by a Communist world.

"Today Britain, whose military strength has safeguarded balance of power throughout the world, must withdraw her support from Greece and Turkey.

"The huge cost of stopping Hitler's advance, which she bore almost alone for a year and a half, has exhausted her resources. She needs all she has to build up the productivity of her industries at home.

"Soviet Russia is ready to move in as Britain moves out, spreading a totalitarianism more cruel and far reaching than Hitler's over countries our boys died to free.

Matt Woll Charges Bosses Made Brick Layers Waste Time

NEW YORK CITY.—Bricklayers are working at a lower rate of production today than before the war because the cost-plus contracts of war-time construction gave incentive to management to waste labor rather than economize it.

This was the declaration of Matthew Woll, vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, in an address before a dinner meeting of the New York chapter of the Society of Residential Appraisers in the Advertising Club.

As an example of the war-time loss of production, Mr. Woll cited the case of a contractor who built a munitions depot in Colorado with 400 bricklayers and asked the union to send him 200 more. The union investigated and found he needed only 250, and had the other 150 standing around because the higher the cost the higher his fee, he said.

It will take a long time to reeducate labor out of the inefficient work habits developed by the fee system during the war, Mr. Woll asserted. He charged, however, that reports that bricklayers were laying only 400 bricks a day today against 800 to 1,000 before the war were "misleading, deceptive and untrue."

Psychic Wage Won't Pay Rent, Declared

The Joint Committee of Trade Unions in Social Work held a meeting in California Hall, San Francisco, on Monday to discuss the relation of labor unions to social work. The meeting was held in connection with the National Conference of Social Workers.

Helen Grant, executive secretary of the Oakland YWCA, told the group:

"The so-called psychic increment—based on dedication of self—does not pay the light bills or the rent."

She urged social workers who join labor unions to work for harmonious and democratic labor-management relations.

DUBINSKY CLAIMS COMMUNISTS LICKED

NEW YORK.—Final returns on elections in 29 New York locals of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union (AFL) showed an 8 to 1 victory for the administration slate of President David Dubinsky, the ILGWU announced here.

Dubinsky said the opposition had polled a total of 14,711 votes to 104,014 for his supporters in the voting which elected 1,200 union officers and 224 delegates to the international convention in Cleveland in June. Dubinsky said the opposition had failed to elect a single candidate and hailed the results as a "repudiation of the communist clique operating in some of our locals."

LOS ANGELES AFL TO APPEAL POLICE CASE

LOS ANGELES. — AFL lawyers here are planning to fight up to the U. S. Supreme Court, if necessary, a district court's ruling that public employes cannot belong to unions.

The unanimous 3-judge decision upheld a regulation adopted by the Los Angeles board of police commissioners last year forbidding policemen to join labor organizations. Original suit was brought by Angel M. Perez, one of 800 police force members of Local 665, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employes.

Henderson Speaks At ADA Gathering

Organization of the Northern California branch of Americans for Democratic Action was energized by a dinner at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel in San Francisco Tuesday night at which Leon Henderson, former OPA administrator, was the principal speaker.

Matthew O. Tobriner, labor lawyer, presided. Among East Bay ADA members present or on the arrangements committee were: John Kinnick, business representative, Office Workers' Local 29; Jeffery Cohelan, secretary, Milk Wagon Drivers' Local 302; Dr. Aaron Gordon of the University of California.

Melvyn Douglas, acting chairman of the California district for ADA, came from Hollywood to attend.

Henderson said that the ADA is a liberal organization determined to exclude Communists from its membership. He declared that if any managed to join ADA under cover they would "die of vexation."

Stressing a strongly liberal domestic policy, the speaker said regarding foreign affairs:

"We don't believe we are heading for war. We can reach a working agreement with the Soviet Union, but not through appeasement. Nor can we reach it by automatically opposing everything Russia puts forward."

STANDARD OIL BACKS ARMY TRAINING PLAN

WASHINGTON. — Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey officially announced it had adopted a plan paying workers for 15 days leave of absence annually for peace-time military training. The company added: "The plan has been recommended to all the company's domestic affiliates."

While on training leave workers will be paid the difference between their company incomes and GI pay.

EMPLOYER'S THREAT IS BANNED BY COURT

"When the manager of a business states to his men that if they join the union they are sticking their necks out and directs his employes to return from the meeting of the union with a changed mind, the reasonable and inevitable inference is that a threat of discharge and discrimination is intended."

So ruled the Circuit Court at Cincinnati last October in the C. D. Beck & Co. case, Sidney, Ohio. The refusal by the U. S. Supreme Court on March 10 of this year to review the case has thus left in effect the language quoted above.

Man Struck While At Lunch Granted Compensation Pay

An interesting case is described by Joseph E. Smith, labor attorney, in his last Workmen's Compensation News Letter:

"In line with the cases which have occurred off the employer's premises and have been held to be compensable, I wish to call your attention to the case of **Industrial Indemnity Exchange vs. I.A.C.** This case was decided by the Industrial Accident Commission in January, 1947, and a writ of Review to the Appellate Court was denied in February, 1947.

"In this case the injured man was allowed a half-hour for lunch during his shift, without pay deduction. He left the employer's premises and went to a restaurant across the street. After leaving the restaurant and while standing on the street corner waiting to return to the plant, he was struck on the head by an unknown assailant. He was severely injured when he fell to the pavement.

"Although it was the employer's contention that the assault was not connected with the employment, the Commission held that it occurred during a meal time authorized during working hours, and that the injury arose out of a street risk.

"This reasoning would cover a case where the man was crossing the street and run down by an automobile while returning from a meal taken on employer's time.

"It is suggested that all accidents which occur during working hours be referred to your Compensation Counsel for an opinion as to their industrial liability.

362 Cases Pending For Conciliators

Settlement of 191 industrial disputes in the month of March in eleven western states and Alaska is reported by Ernest P. Marsh, U. S. Conciliation Service Regional Director. The Conciliation Service handled 231 assignments during the month. Pending cases, however, total 362. Conciliation Commissioners handled approximately 7 cases per man per month, said Director Marsh.

Assignments to cases took a sharp rise last October in the western region, going over the 200 mark. For the first three months of 1947, there have been 675 assignments of commissioners with 518 settlements.

Up to April 8, the total number of assignments in this month were 55.

TRUMAN HEARS LABOR ATTACK UPON WFTU

WASHINGTON.—Three top AFL leaders called on President Truman at the White House to continue their fight against the World Federation of Trade Unions and to demand a central government for Germany "as soon as possible."

AFL President William Green, Vice President David Dubinsky and Secretary-Treasurer George Meany were the White House callers.

Green said they told the President that the WFTU is under communist control and constitutes "a fifth column."

CANADIAN DOLLARS OUTBUY AMERICAN

The Canadian dollar may be worth only 36c in the U. S. but its purchasing value at home—thanks to price control—is much greater than that of the U. S. dollar in the U. S., comparative figures by the Canadian Wartime Prices Trade Board revealed.

TRUE TO FORM



With the blessing of its chairman, Senator Robert A. Taft (R., Ohio), the Senate Labor Committee's anti-labor recommendations include legalized government strikebreaking by injunction, limitations on industry-wide bargaining and the closed shop and more "freedom of expression" for the employer. (Federation Pictures)

Racial Bigotry Is Rising: McWilliams

Carey McWilliams, author and lecturer, told an audience at the Marines' Memorial Theatre in San Francisco Monday:

"In the past year California has done a tremendous job of industrial reconversion from war to peace," said McWilliams.

"But as much as we like to believe that we are 'cosmopolitan,' that all Californians of different colors and creeds live together amicably, there are today signs of rising intolerance and discrimination.

"California cannot realize her high promise of economic and cultural development unless her clear-thinking people reject bigotry and adopt measures to assure equal opportunities for all."

TEAMSTERS MOVING HILL TO MAKE LAKE

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.—AFL teamsters in northeastern Tennessee are moving a mountain to make a lake.

This somewhat unusual job of teamstering is part of the major government operation of building the giant Watauga dam, new link in the Tennessee Valley Authority. When the dam is completed in 1949 it will contain 3½ million cubic feet of earth and rock—and that's a mountain. The lake which the dam will produce will be 17 miles wide with a shore line of 117 miles.

WHITE COLLAR HELP GET 60-CENT MINIMUM

BOSTON.—A mandatory 60c hourly minimum wage, claimed to be the highest in the country, has been ordered by the state Department of Labor & Industries for all clerical, technical and white collar workers.

Pursers On 2 Lines Vote AFL by 126-16

Pursers employed by the United States Lines and the American South African Lines have voted overwhelmingly in favor of the AFL Staff Officers' Association as their bargaining agent.

In NLRB elections held aboard vessels of the two lines in the last fifteen weeks the pursers rejected the CIO National Maritime Union, giving that organization only 16 out of 142 votes.

Two pursers voted against representation by any union, 19 ballots were challenged, and five were blank.

The association now represents 2500 members employed by 40 steamship companies in this country.

Middle Course Is Best, Randolph Says

A. Philip Randolph, international president of the AFL Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters and co-chairman of the National FEPC, who recently conferred with members of his union in the East Bay, was quoted this week in dispatches from Denver as saying:

"Communists are reactionaries, because they seek to make the public believe it must be Communism or Fascism. That is not true. There is a third course of a planned economy within the framework of political liberty and democratic socialism."

General Motors in 11½ Cent Hour Rise

Associated Press in a dispatch from Detroit Monday said that General Motors Corporation and officers of the CIO United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers "announced a wage agreement that may set the pattern for the nation's entire automotive industry with its more than 500,000 hourly-rated workers.

"The agreement affecting about 30,000 employes of four GM accessories divisions provides for a 15 cents an hour increase. Of this 11½ cents an hour would be paid in the form of direct wage advances and the remainder would go to cover the cost of six paid holidays and other economic items."

HEADLINE ON PRICE RISE CAUSES ANGER

BOSTON.—When a Boston newspaper reported the lifting of OPA ceilings on shoes and leather last autumn under the headline, Price Of Shoes To Double, the publisher and the advertising department almost had apoplexy. Some of their best friends were leather manufacturers.

Recently, just about as shoes were hitting $20 a pair here, word came that pork would hit $1 a pound. Taking no chances, the advertising manager shot a quick note to the editorial department:

"Take it easy on any release from John P. Squire's that pork is hitting $1 a pound. No scare heads, please."

'Forward Alameda' Says It Ain't So

The AFL Cannery Reporter in its issue of March 31 stated that the Forward Alameda County League is an organization "whose mission is mysterious and whose objectives are questionable," and added that "we of labor do not know just what kind of a group Forward Alameda is, why it was organized, or what it intends to do."

Virgil J. Wolfe, executive director of Forward Alameda, insists in a mimeographed statement put out in reply that "it is not the function of Forward Alameda County League to 'aid those influences giving battle to organized labor.' On the contrary, one of the purposes of the League is to encourage unity among individuals and organizations by seeking to improve relations between employers and employes and to preserve industrial harmony."

1191 Apprentices Register in March

During the month of **March, 1191** new apprentices were registered with the Division of Apprenticeship Standards, it is announced by Paul Scharrenberg, Director of Industrial Relations and Administrator of Apprenticeship. Of these, 1083 were World War II veterans, many of whom will receive benefits under the GI Bill in addition to their regular apprentice wages.

At the present time, because of ceilings placed by Congress on combined earnings and GI Bill subsistence allowances, these benefits consist almost entirely of tools furnished by the Veterans Administration. If present ceilings are raised, as has been proposed in bills now before Congress, it is expected that most veteran apprentices will again receive cash allowances as well as tools and other benefits to which their war service entitles them.

MIDDLE EAST PLANS MAY BOOST PLANES

NEW YORK.—The aircraft industry is looking forward to a substantial military diet as a result of President Truman's announced policy of military aid to Greece and Turkey, the Wall Street Journal revealed here.

"Although the military aspects of this country's proposed international policy have been soft-pedaled," the Journal declares, there is general agreement among aircraft makers that air power ultimately will play a big part in implementing this policy."

LEGIONERS DEMAND BATTLE ON FASCISM

CHICAGO.—Hitting the homemade "iron curtain" which suppresses news of fascist activity in the United States, the Cook County Council of the American Legion called for a vigorous, out-in-the-open fight against fascism.

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BEING Lot 5, and a portion of Lots 4 and 6, in Block 1, as said Lots and block are shown on Map entitled, "Map of the Jessen Tract, a Subdivision of Lot 6, Peralta Tract, Brooklyn Township, Alameda Co., Cal.," filed September 27, 1895, in Book 15 of Maps, at page 35, in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that I will on Monday, the 5th day of May A. D. 1947, at 10:00 o'clock A. M., of said day, in front of the Fallon Street entrance of the Court House, of the County of Alameda, in the City of Oakland, County of Alameda, State of California, sell at PUBLIC AUCTION, for lawful money of the United States, all the right, title, claim and interest of said defendants of, in and to the above described real property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to raise sufficient money to satisfy said Judgment, with interest and costs, etc.; to the highest and best bidder.

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HAIR OIL FOR THE BALD

After President Truman held a special Cabinet session to discuss the high prices now prevailing, his press secretary, Charles G. Ross, told reporters that nothing definite was decided, but that "it was just a lot of talk back and forth, pro and con."

But the next day Mr. Truman himself said something pretty definite. At his press conference, United Press reports, he "put responsibility for cutting prices squarely on business today, and said labor will be justified in asking higher wages unless living costs drop."

Of course, even though it was the President of the United States who said that, perhaps it may be brushed off as simply one more contribution to what Mr. Ross called "a lot of talk back and forth, pro and con."

For immediately after the President's statement, up jumped Jack-in-the-box National Association of Manufacturers and Jack-in-the-box U. S. Chamber of Commerce with pained utterances:

"Apparently he ignores the responsibility of Government and labor to cooperate in the necessary and desired lowering of price levels," sobbed NAM President Earl Bunting.

It's "unfair to hold business solely responsible," heart-throbbed the Chamber of Commerce. "Labor's successful efforts in obtaining wage increases have been reflected in the price structure. It is now demanding a second round of wage increases."

But while the NAM and CofC keep pouring this stale hair oil on the bald man whenever the issue is raised by those whom they consider the wrong people, when business groups hold conferences they hear some pretty plain speaking from their own folks.

For example, on March 10, well before these April statements, this same U. S. Chamber of Commerce held in Chicago its national marketing conference, and the New York Times reported that the session "brought warnings from both retailers and manufacturers that 1947 will see the return of a buyers' market and heavy public resistance to further price increases."

Lawrence B. Sizer, divisional vice-president and sales promotion director of Marshall Field & Co., told the assembled Chamber of Commerce marketers:

"We shall never do the job of distribution necessary to maintain prosperity in this country unless we do it on the basis of low prices. We in distribution are far too prone to put the blame for high prices on the manufacturer, organized labor, or any other group that contributes to the general picture. But we can't escape our own responsibility. Prices are too high, and we are as much to blame for it as anybody."

Mr. Truman—and organized labor—know that many business men realize that's the painful truth, no matter how much blither the NAM and the CofC may officially blather.

LABOR GOVERNMENT

How many of us, in the midst of certain earnest discussions within East Bay American Federation of Labor circles, have paused to consider what life must be like for labor people when they're actually running the government of a big nation and empire?

Running the government of part of the labor movement in one part of one area of one state of our nation seems to be a job attended with some difficulties, indecisions, and confusions.

But think what the labor leaders of Great Britain face!

Within one week recently the British Labor Government took these heavy blows:

1. The clothes ration had to be cut; 36 coupons, intended for six months, will now have to last eight months. And it takes 18 coupons to buy a woman's coat, and 26 to buy a man's suit.

2. Tom Williams, Minister of Agriculture, had to announce that the country's homegrown food, as a result of the snow, frost, and foods, had suffered "an agricultural disaster that exceeds all disasters in the recorded history of Britain," with 600,000 acres of farm land inundated, and with more than 2,000,000 sheep wiped out.

3. John Strachey, Minister of Food, had to announce that he could not promise to maintain the tea ration at its present level during the summer. And the tea ration is already down to ten ounces a month, barely enough to keep going the greatest tea-drinking nation.

4. Arguments of experts were aired in the press that a great majority of the people of Britain are getting a worse diet than "even the poorest 15 percent of the population before the war."

Those are just a few troubles, dramatically piling up in one week. The mere noting from a distance for a few moments the problems of a labor group that has won through to the taking over of genuinely big responsibilities should make us here feel both humble and bold.

It should make us feel humble, because it forces us to realize that we are still in the very early stages of labor maturity.

It should make us feel bold, because it makes us realize that we've got so far to go that we'd better buck up and get going!

CONSIDER THE SOURCE!

After calling the President of the United States a liar several times, and obviously enjoying the experience very much, President Harry Bridges of the CIO longshore and warehouse union encouraged the delegates of his union in convention assembled to pass a resolution declaring:

"Communism is not an issue in the United States, nor are our economic, political, democratic, or civil liberties threatened by agents of the Soviet Union."

Considering the source, certainly we all feel very much reassured.

FRIEND AND FOE
IN RADIO AND PRESS

Mark Starr, educational director of the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union, in Saturday Review of Literature: "Our female population particularly is malnourished on the foolish bubbles of soap opera, which takes up the greater portion of the time of two of our great national radio chains. Even our language is greatly influenced by the singing commercials and the gags of the advertisers. . . . Fortunately, there are signs of protest against the misuse of what is potentially the greatest educational agency at our disposal. . . . Labor unions and listener-cooperative and educational groups are organizing their resources to secure Frequency Modulation licenses and to persuade the broadcasters to improve their programs."

Paul Speegle, in S. F. Chronicle: "Found: A radio executive who believes four straight hours of soap operas make for a top-heavy schedule in that dreary line of entertainment. Anyone desiring to agree or disagree with this statement, please contact Mr. Niles Trammell, president of the National Broadcasting Company. . . . Mr. Trammell made a quick trip into San Francisco the other day . . . and let loose . . . the remark about soap operas."

United Press report of speech made in Los Angeles by Mrs. Agnes Meyer, wife of the owner of the Washington Post: "The radio and film industries are un-American because those superb techniques are being used for a progressive vulgarization of the public mind and for the debasing of public morals. The income of radio and films has steadily gone up, while their product has steadily deteriorated. Other great American industries spend millions on experiment and research to improve their goods. Only movies and radio think they can hand us with impunity a product that steadily grows worse.'

New York Times: "Justin Miller, president of the National Association of Broadcasters, endorsed a cooperative effort by radio stations, sponsors, and advertising agencies to improve broadcasting standards. . . . The NAB president cautioned broadcasters, however, not to be 'swept off their feet' by criticism of radio. Recalling great hysterias of the past, he said: 'Somebody has to be a whipping boy and something new like radio presents a pretty target.'"

It is going to be very interesting to see whether we get some real reform out of this current wave of protest against the soapy slop pumped over the air. Set alongside each other the above quoted statements from the president of the NBC and the head of the NAB and you assume that the result of it all will be just about that: one man in the industry putting on a jaunty air of frankness and confessing that maybe everything isn't perfect, and another man putting out a sob story about how radio is a new industry, and consequently gets picked on. Incidentally, maybe radio is a new industry, but some of the hamburger it grinds out begins to smell pretty ancient.

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Canadian Press report from Paarl, South Africa: "A young man from East London who arrived recently at Paarl was born in a Hindu temple and married an Afrikaans-speaking girl in an English church, the minister being a Jew who had adopted the Christian faith. The Hindu temple where he was born is in East London. His mother was taken into the building when she suddenly became ill and it was realized she would not reach a maternity home in time. The young man's father is English, with Irish blood in his veins. His mother is also English with French blood in her veins. His wife's ancestors were Scottish."

That's an unusual mixup, of course, and that's why Canadian Press reports it. Nevertheless, it gives us a glimpse of the automatic creation of "One World" that is going on, no matter how much our conscious creative efforts in that direction may seem to fail.

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S. F. Chronicle Sporting Green headline, April 7:
SEALS, SUDS SPLIT; ACORNS SNAP SLUMP

No criticism whatever of that concise and informative line of six words. But it does make you stop and think maybe it will take a few months longer before all the rations of the world understand one another's way of talking and thinking.

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The Rev. George G. Higgins, writing in the Monitor, San Francisco Catholic weekly, in a recent discussion of the closed shop quoted the following from "Moral Aspects of Labor Unions," by the late Monsignor John A. Ryan: "The closed shop policy is often objected to on the ground that it deprives the nonunionist of his natural right to work. . . . The specific demand of the non-unionist is that he shall be permitted to work beside members of the union. If this were a natural right, it would contradict and annul a similar right of the unionist, namely, the right NOT to work beside the former. One of these rights is no better than the other. In point of fact neither is genuine, for there can be no such prerogative as an unconditional right to a social relation. The right of the non-unionist to work in the same shop with a unionist . . . is conditioned by the circumstances, and it is valid only when these are reasonable."

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Father Higgins concludes that "in the hypothesis which we are considering, membership in the union is such a reasonable condition, while refusal to enter is unreasonable." Which—though we might be accused of being biased, strikes us as a very reasonable deduction!

Industries Hiring Replacements Only

Placements made by local California State Employment Service offices in Alameda County during March declined 4 percent below those made in February. This decrease is typical as March placements generally show a slight drop from those made during February.

Most industries report that they are hiring replacements only. Many manufacturers using metal stock state that material shortages continue to hold up production. The non-metal manufacturing industries indicate few employment increases.

In printing, publishing, and paper products the paper shortage is a major factor inhibiting expansion.

WIN CLOSED SHOP CONTRACT

A closed shop and wage increases of more than $1 a day have been won at San Diego, Calif., by Locals 402 and 500, Hotel and Restaurant Employes, in recent negotiations with three drug store chains.

AFL Marine Trades Planning Big Drive

The New York Times reports that "maritime unions of the AFL are planning intensive organization drives to take advantage of internal difficulties currently experienced by CIO unions, and of the present wave of anti-Communist sentiment among sea workers."

The Times says that "it was made known recently that as part of the AFL's expansion plans, the Federation's Maritime Trades Department would take in a number of locals of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters as MTD affiliates.

"The teamster unions in the nation's port cities are expected to affiliate formally in the fall, and meanwhile they have been authorized to cooperate with AFL waterfront unions. Only the locals directly connected with waterfront work will be eligible for affiliation.

"The Brotherhood of Teamsters' will hold its annual convention in San Francisco in August, and its executive board will then recommend direct affiliation of the affected unions. The additional strength acquired by the Maritime Trades Department will be considerable and will solidify AFL bargaining power in shipping."

Not Many Strikers For Past 2 Months

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A total of 776 labor-management disputes were settled peacefully during February with the assistance of Federal conciliators. In addition, more than half of the workers on strike in the 290 stoppages which began in that month were the beneficiaries of the work of the U. S. Conciliation Service.

Preliminary estimates of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor, show that the Conciliation Service assisted in closing almost three times as many labor-management controversies and threatened strikes as the number of stoppages which actually occurred.

The BLS report showed that the low level of strike activity which has prevailed since early December continued throughout February and March.

Approximately 90,000 workers were involved in strikes, a fewer number than those involved in stoppages which began in January.

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After the business meeting Bingo was played with Ruth and Erma being very lucky.

May Bristow was unable to be with us as she was home with a very bad cold. Next meeting place will be at the home of Theresia Michelson, 884 47th Street, Oakland. Greetings to our other past presidents who were unable to be with us.

DIANA HOLDER,
Secretary.

THEY CUT AND RUN
By JOHN J. SWATTEM

Here's the secret platform which
Many statesmen have, I'm sure:
CUT THE TAXES FOR THE RICH.
CUT THE WAGES FOR THE POOR!

Director, Researcher Named at Teamsters' Cannery Meeting

East Bay and other California AFL cannery union leaders were back home again this week after attending in Seattle last week a meeting preliminary to the annual session of the Western Conference of Teamsters, scheduled for Santa Barbara May 4-10.

Lewis Harkins, organizer for the past three years in the cannery and food processing industry of Oregon for Joint Council of Teamsters No. 37, was elected at the Seattle meeting to be director of the Western Cannery Council, with offices at the Teamster Building in Seattle.

At the same time the appointment of Dorothy Davis to be statistician for the Western Cannery Council was approved.

Miss Davis is an honor graduate of the University of Washington in labor relations, personnel management, and statistics, and took a graduate course given by Dr. Clark Kerr, now at the University of California.

Harkins, the new director of the Western Cannery Council, is a veteran in the Teamsters' Union.

"I am confident that there is a big future ahead for the Western Cannery Council," Harkins is reported by the Washington Teamster as having said, after his election. "I have rubbed elbows with the cannery workers and I have worked with them. Yes, I worked in a cannery at one time.

"I know that there is a big job to be done in these western states, but I feel that, with Teamster backing, we can do it."

Dave Beck, top Teamster in the West, told the meeting that "success will be based almost entirely upon the progress that the cannery people make in wages, hours, and working conditions."

Walter Jones of San Jose, president of the Western Cannery Council, was chairman of the Seattle session.

Among Californians attending were: Hal Angus of Oakland, secretary of the California Council of Cannery Unions; Vern Pankey, secretary of Oakland Local 750; and George Mock, director of the Warehouse Council.

Employers Discuss That Labor Problem

Representatives of some 500 industrial and business firms met at the Hotel Claremont for two days this week to discuss relations with labor, and the National Association of Manufacturers was rallying its forces for a big district meeting in the Bay Area on May 5.

The Hotel Claremont conference was sponsored by the California Personnel Management Association, and was featured by a dinner meeting at which Alvin E. Dodd, president of the American Management Association, made off-the-record comments on issues considered critical by management.

Earl Bunting, NAM president, will speak on "The Year of Opportunity" at the employers' rally in May.

Security Clauses In Many Contracts

Approximately 86 percent of 1,107 California collective bargaining agreements on file with the Department of Industrial Relations contain closed shop and union shop provisions, announced Paul Scharrenberg, Director of Industrial Relations.

In addition, 9 percent of the agreements include maintenance of membership clauses. Thus, 95 percent of the California collective bargaining agreements contain some provision for union membership as a condition for continued employment.

In Northern California, 90 percent of the agreements reviewed contained either closed or union shop provisions while 80 percent of the Southern California contracts had such clauses.

TEAMSTER ELECTED HEAD OF IOWA TOWN

EAST DUBUQUE, Ia.—In a surprise upset vote, a union man defeated the perennial mayor of East Dubuque, Dr. U. S. Lewis, by 337 to 230. The newly elected mayor, Adam Montag, is a member of Local 421, International Brotherhood of Teamsters (AFL).

Two other unionists were elected aldermen: Milton Lawson of Local B-263, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (AFL), and Joe Accola of Local 678, United Brotherhood of Carpenters (AFL).

HOTEL WORKERS GAIN WAGE RAISE, DETROIT

DETROIT.—Wage raises of $52 a year for dishwashers to $150 for cooks were conceded by Detroit's 11 principal hotels in negotiation with the Hotel and Restaurant Employes International Alliance (AFL). Members in Cooks' Local 234, Waiters & Waitresses Local 705, and Bartenders Local 562 are benefitted, numbering about 4,000. The raise is retroactive to February 15.

We Don't Patronize

The following persons and firms, after a thorough examination into the causes at issue, have been deemed unworthy of the patronage of members of organized labor and their friends:

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Cannon's Shoe Store, Cor. 11th and Washington Sts., Oakland
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Vine Pastry Shop 2114 Vine St., Berkeley
APARTMENT HOUSES
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RESTAURANTS
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BARBER SHOPS
The Star Barber Shop, 1926 University Ave., Berkeley
Barber Shop, 474 8th St.
Barber Shop, 5482 College Ave.
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Metals, Inc. 1069 - 2nd Street, Berkeley
E. I. DuPont de Nemours, Paint Manufacturing Co., South San Francisco
Phil's Used Car Lot, 3350 San Pablo Avenue, Oakland
West Oakland Sheet Metal Supply Company, 1231 Center St., Oakland
Hotel Menlo, 13th & Webster Sts., Oakland
Precision Engineering Company, 5701 Green St., Emeryville
Sealy Mattress Co., 6699 San Pablo Ave.
Bannum Truck Company
Gantner & Mattern Co., 3rd and Berry St., San Francisco
West Coast Macaroni Manufacturing So., 1250 57th Avenue, Oakland
Blackstone Mfg. Co., N. Y., Tools and Implements
National Mattress Co., 920 54th Ave.
National Nut Company, 362 Fourth St.
Goldstone Bros., Overalls
O'Keefe & Merritt Stove Co., Los Angeles
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